

THE THOMAS COUNTY CAT.

WORCESTER & CASEY, Editors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

To the Voters of Thomas County: I am respectfully offering myself as an independent candidate for the office of county superintendent. Should I be so fortunate as to be elected I promise to faithfully and conscientiously perform the duties of the office.

I am respectfully,
M. A. HAY.
Ottoburne, Oct. 27th.

I am a candidate for the office of Register of Deeds of Thomas county subject to the decision of the legal voters at the November election.
J. W. IRWIN.

We are authorized to announce the name of M. Donelan as a candidate for the office of county treasurer subject to the decision of the voters at the polls.

The friends of L. Sims hereby announce his name for register of deeds subject to the decision of the voters at the polls.

F. S. See is an independent candidate for County Surveyor, subject to the decision of the voters at the polls.

THE WHOLE TICKET.

Before another issue of the CAT is perused, the election will be over. The result must necessarily satisfy all parties. The most of the grumbling done is by candidates that did not have enough votes in the convention. The masses of the people are satisfied; only the politicians and men who rely upon combinations in different parts of the county that are dissatisfied. It matters not the geographical location of the candidates, but the capabilities of the men to fill the offices. Not one word can be said against the ability of the nominees, and there is no question as to the fairness of the convention. We are a community of almost entire strangers. Now, in all reason, as strangers, is it not wiser to trust the men that have received the nomination at an absolutely fair convention, at majorities of from 17 to 240 out of a total vote of 276, than to trust men that allege themselves to be better men to fill the positions than the nominees. The men that cry "fraud," "ring," etc., the loudest in the county to-day, are the men that need the most watching. The man that declares himself an honest man in loud terms, is generally the rogue. The people said at the convention, these are the men that we will trust, and history will undoubtedly repeat itself Nov. 17th.

A Denver man found a snake with three heads and has refused \$175 for the curiosity.

Wicked people are worried about how they are going to get into hell, now that the gate is gone.—Ex.

A coal barge was sunk in Hell Gate a few days since. This looks as if his satanic majesty was a little short of fuel.—Life.

F. S. See is a candidate for surveyor or independent. Mr. S. is an early settler, a practical surveyor, and has located hundreds of settlers in Thomas county.

Small-pox, scarlet fever, yellow fever, and cholera can be transmitted from one person to another by a kiss; but, hang it! what's a fellow going to do? We must take some chances.—Ex.

It is said that American cabbages are shipped to Havana. This explains all. "Havana filled" no longer fills the aching void in the heart of the smoker. The American cabbage by any other name tastes just as vile.—Ex.

"Ray," said an editor's smart little son, as he entered a store, "do you keep knives?" "Oh! yes," responded the storekeeper, "we have kept them for years." "Well," returned the boy, starting for the door, "you ought to advertise, and then you wouldn't keep them so long."

Says an exchange. "A newspaper subscriber remarked that he found it much easier to pay for his paper in advance than at the end of the year. In answer to query, he gave as a reason that when paid in advance he was getting something for his money, but to do so at the end of the year was like paying for worn out clothes—there was none of the pleasure of anticipation in the transaction."

The Junction City Union says that "Kansas is on the eve of receiving the heaviest and richest tide of emigration that has ever entered the state in a single year." It is estimated that during the next six to twelve months \$50,000,000 will come to Kansas in the pockets of men desiring to make homes and valuable investments.

Frederick Giese is a candidate for county commissioner in the first district. Mr. G. is a man of business ability, was at one time in the editorial staff of Carl Schurz's St. Louis Post, and will make a strong race. Should he be elected, he pledges himself to work to the county's financial interest under any and all circumstances.

The Seward boys who have located in Thomas county, Kansas, are coming to the front in good shape. At a mass convention held in Colby, the county seat, Newt Bean was nominated for county treasurer and Frank Pingree for county commissioner. Mike Donelan is an independent candidate for county treasurer, and A. J. Senter is P. M. of Colby. Go to Kansas if you want office.—Seward, Neb., Blade.

Mr. James N. Fike, formerly of Pleasant Hill, this county, who moved to Thomas county, Kansas, last April, has been nominated by the people of that county, in mass convention assembled, for the office of county clerk. It is gratifying to Mr. Fike's numerous friends in these parts to know that his sterling qualities are thus early being recognized at his new home, and if the people out there knew him as well as we do there would be no question about his election, for his strict integrity and business qualifications make him peculiarly well fitted to fill the office for which he has been nominated, to the full satisfaction of the people, and with credit to himself. The election takes place November 17th, and we hope to see Jim occupy the same place at the polls as he did at the convention—away ahead of his competitors.—Wilber, Saline Co., Neb., Opposition.

ED. CAT.—My CAT for October 29 failed to put in an appearance, hence I did not see your criticism on "Caucus" but, nor have I a chance to answer the criticism pronounced. And an indebted to a neighbor for calling my attention to them although too late for last week's issue. In reply would say, I think from your question and remarks that you must be laboring under the impression that it is only the people of Quickville in vicinity who were interested in the caucus, held near this place. If such is the case you are very much mistaken. The facts are that people in all three commissioner districts were notified of the meeting as far as possible and asked to be present, or send representatives, and the ticket made up at the caucus, was from candidates named by men who claimed to represent the several districts. And if you will notice, I think you will find only three on the ticket from this district aside from the commissioners. No great no-nonsense, nor Quickville combination that far I am sure. Now in regard to your question, some of them I do not feel at liberty to answer as they would require me to go into personalities that would be out of place at this time, but with reference to your first, I will say this, that as far as I can learn Mr. Porter was cordially supported at the convention in Colby by nearly every one from this district.

2 The Quickville convention as you call it, was called not particularly in the interests of any one, but for the purpose of calling together as many legal voters as possible and to see whether they were in favor of allowing all the county offices to be filled by residents of the town of Colby or whether they should ask for a fair proportion of them according to population.

3 the convention did support Mr. Passell almost unanimously, owing to the fact of his being an old settler, a popular man and besides Mr. Kingery was not present nor did he have any one to represent him.

4 My language was "when by the rulings of the convention it was agreed to let everybody vote," if you can construe that into an assertion that a ruling was passed to that effect, we will call it a mistake. You will hardly deny that all did vote who wanted to. I was not present until some time after voting had begun, but was informed that such a ruling had been made.

I fail to see the point in your 5th question. The difference is any would depend on the object of the convention.

1 I think a ring could be formed at Quickville, or outside of Colby, but so far as heard from we think Colby just a little ahead.

Our merchants can compete with the Oberlin merchants in prices.—Colby Cat.

And Kenneth merchants can discount any bill ever sold in Oberlin.—Kenneth Democrat.

And Colby merchants can and do discount Kenneth merchants on prices, as evinced by the fact that western Sheridan county men come to Colby to trade.

—DIED.—At the Palmer House, Oberlin, Kansas, on October 28, of lung disease, Charles I. Payne, aged 51 years, 6 months.

Mr. Payne was born in Detroit, Mich., of parents who own the Cass estate in that city. For over a year past he had been very sickly and was bedfast for two months before his death. He had been running a restaurant in Colby until recently, and had started to his home in Detroit. Rev. Wilson conducted the funeral exercises.—Oberlin Eye.

Advertised Letters.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in the office at Colby, Kans., Nov. 1, 1885.

Yours Respectfully,
Ex S.

Gem Ranch Clippings.

A sad and probably fatal accident occurred to Mr. Elmer Ellsworth, a young and very promising citizen of section 10, town 7, range 32, on the evening of the 7th inst. While pulling a rifle out of the hind end of the wagon the hammer caught on something in the wagon bed, discharged the gun the ball passing through the right side, which will probably prove fatal.

A son of Mr. Taylor, on Thursday the foggy day, while watering some stock wandered in the wrong way and the consequence was that the said Mr. Taylor and family were very much alarmed. But their hearts were made glad by our neighbor, Mr. G. H. Crawford, who took the young lad to his father's house.

The Gem Ranch literary was a success.

Mr. Perry Kenney took his departure for the eastern part of the State for the remainder of the winter.

Mr. Coles, the man that was sick at Mr. Harris', has taken up lodgings in his new home.

Mr. Hoback has just returned from McCook, Neb., on a business trip.

The health of the community is good at present.

Mr. Bairington and family, an old time friend of Capt. A. M. Scott, late of Mo., have come to Thomas county to stay.

G. H. Russell, the boss well borer and driller is still improving the country in this vicinity. More anon.

SAPHISTRY.

There are twenty-four candidates announced in the Thomas CAT who are willing to sacrifice themselves in behalf of the dear people at the coming special election, November 17th. There are several back precincts, where the people have not yet got in from Nebraska, to be heard from, when it is expected that all of the citizens of the county will become office seekers. The latest reports says that the other two men now in the county will announce in the next issue of the feline progeny.—Kenneth Sentinel.

The back precincts are all in and there are now nearly forty candidates in the field. One out of every ten voters in the county is a candidate for county office, and the township officers will not have to go begging either.

E. C. Clearman and A. Cresler returned from Sherman county Saturday where they have been for the last two weeks appraising school land. They report seeing a great many antelope and succeeded in killing three, and could have killed many more if they had been able to take care of the meat. They were within four miles of the Colorado line and were told by cow boys that two Buffalo were seen on October 18th, on the north fork of the Smoky, near the Colorado line. At least half of Sherman county is taken up and there are many settlers already on their claims. They found two towns in the county, Voltair and Gandy, both built within the last few months and will probably be rival candidates for the county seat in the near future. John Bray the third appraiser is a resident of Sherman county and the boys speak in high terms of his hospitality and geniality.—Kenneth Sentinel.

Sheridan county elected Prince, for clerk, Davis, for treasurer, Bachelder, for sheriff and Grinnell, for register.

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Notice of Dissolution.

Notice is hereby given that the hotel partnership heretofore existing under the firm name of Miller & Miller is this day dissolved by mutual consent of said partners, S. C. Mills retiring from the firm and H. W. Miller assuming all debts and obligations now existing against said partnership and collecting and receiving all debts due the same.

Dated this 25th day of October, A. D. 1885.

H. W. MILLER.

Hay For Sale.

I have for sale at my farm in Rawlins county, on section 16, town 3, range 36, 50 tons of millet hay and 25 tons of blue stem. Price, 28 per ton. Hay all in good condition.

T. H. Nimor.

McCloud, Rawlins Co., Kans. 3w

Attention, Soldier!

All honorably discharged Soldiers and Sailors of the late war are requested to appear their names to a blank request for a charter for a Post of the G. O. P. at Colby. I will leave the blank application with Dr. Carpenter, at the Postoffice for two weeks for signatures, and earnestly hope all old veterans will sign. Boys, let us organize under the banner of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

W. H. MARKHAM.

Late of 14th Iowa Infantry.

Notice For Publication No. 3338.

Land Office at Oberlin, Kansas.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver at Oberlin, Kansas, on Dec. 22, 1885, viz: J. B. Barber, D. S. No. 1885, for the sec. 2, town 6 north, range 28 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: P. T. Turner, Henry Hazleton, Frank Lord, of Ottoburne, Kansas; Nelson Lawrence, of Cumberland, Kansas.

A. L. PATCHES, Register.

Bertram & Doorn 3-41m17

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JAS. AULD,

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On Fourth Street, Colby, Kans.

You will find a good lot of Standard Goods, consisting of Dry Goods, Groceries and Notions. Give me a call.

A. J. ALLEN.

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SMITH & LITTLE

BUY AND SELL GRAIN.

Feed of all kinds, and the best brands of flour kept on hand. We have a large wind mill.

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The Whole Settlement.

Colby, Kansas.

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TINWARE,

STOVES,

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In fact everything usually

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M. DONELAN, Prop.

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PUMP LINE,

Call on or address

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